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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated 10/23/01, Applicant(s) request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please note the period for response having been extended until 2/23/02, by the accompanying Petition and fee.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

B1
Mammalian variants of the cDNA encoding IP-1 or IP-2 were identified using BLAST2 with default parameters and the ZOOSEQ databases (Incyte Genomics). These preferred variants have from about 80% to about 100% identity as shown in the table below. The first column shows the SEQ ID for the protein encoded by the human cDNA (SEQ ID_H); the second column, the SEQ ID for the variant cDNAs (SEQ ID_{var}); the third column, the clone number for the variant cDNAs (Clone_{var}); the fourth column, the library name; the fifth column, the alignment of the variant cDNA to the human cDNA (includes the alignment of different regions of the variant cDNA with different regions of the human